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PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature I am also opposed to the kill motion and I would like to ask Senator Dickinson a question if he would answer. Senator Dickinson, maybe two questions. Are you aware of all of the penalties for which points are assessed?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Well I can't answer that definitely I am aware of many but...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think that every penalty, do you think that every traffic infraction for which points are assessed has something to do with safety? Would it seem logical that such an infraction would have something to do with safety?

SENATOR DICKINSON: It would seem logical and I believe that most of them do. Why don't you name a specific infraction.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think if a law has a provision which may not be logical that it is wise to correct that piece of illogic?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Yes, Senator Chambers. May I make a statement? If we have infractions for which points are removed that shouldn't be, then let's remove that infraction from that category instead of doing what we are doing here. Wouldn't that be a logical approach?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Dickinson, you will get a chance to close, I'm not going to let you take all of my time. Are you aware that if you are not carrying that piece of paper that is your drivers license that you can have points taken off for that? Does that have anything to do with....assuming that what I am saying is true, and I got this from a member, an employee of the Motor Vehicle Department, does that anything to do with safety?

SENATOR DICKINSON: I am aware that points can be taken if you are caught without a drivers license on your person, but I will have more comments on that when I have my time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Does that have anything to do with safety because that is your concern.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Probably not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Dickinson do you see something magical about twelve month suspension of a drivers license? Thank you though Senator Dickinson for a very intelligent answers, to very penetrating questions. Actually this bill I think is designed to correct a piece of legislation which may have been entered into without total knowledge of its impact. As a bill is allowed to operate, you see what effect it will have on the society, refinements often have to occur. This bill is designed to refine some legislation and make it more workable and more just and more equitable. I think that Senator Luedtke and others pointed out a very crucial point when they meant the difference in driving in